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10 Hottest Winter Activities

1. Snowshoe on the lower-elevation trails in the Lake Champlain region or other easy trails near local villages, on open fields, on state-owned land and golf courses covered in snow. This sport is something that you can master in minutes - generally speaking, if you can walk, you can snowshoe.
2. Downhill ski with the locals - take a lesson at one of the community-based ski mountains or at Whiteface, home to the 1980 Olympic Winter Games. There are a number of ski hills catering to beginners and experts. Share your day's experience with the après ski crowd in the lounge.
3. Stargaze - the cool, crisp, clear air and dark sky of the Adirondacks provides the perfect combination for viewing the night sky. Visit the [Adirondack Sky Center and Observatory](#) in Tupper Lake for stargazing, educational lectures, and family-friendly events.
4. Attend the region's unique events including the [Saranac Lake Winter Carnival](#), one of the longest-running winter events in the nation. You can also visit the town of Inlet for the [Frozen Fire and Lights](#) event or Long Lake for its winter carnival.
5. Bring the family to visit the Adirondacks' natural wonders and man-made attractions: [AuSable Chasm](#), [High Falls Gorge](#), [The Wild Center](#), Santa's Workshop, Great Camp Santanoni's winter weekends and [Natural Stone Bridge and Caves](#).
6. Ice skate on one of the Adirondack region's 3,000 lakes, in remote areas and within small towns; or skate like a gold medalist on the Olympic speed skating oval in Lake Placid.
7. Take a cross country ski lesson at [Lapland Lake](#) or [Mt. Van Hoevenberg](#) (where Olympic athletes train) and continue your cross country ski adventure on trails throughout the region, on state-owned land, and at many local properties with trails on-site.
8. Plan a snowmobile adventure in one of the top snowmobile regions in the country. Hamilton County boasts miles of trails and deep snow; the Adirondacks from Tupper Lake to Lake Champlain offers miles of groomed trails. Plan an adventure using the [Adirondacks USA snowmobile app](#).
9. Ice fish on one of the Adirondack lakes - Schroon Lake, Lake Champlain, Long Lake or Lake Colby, which offer fantastic fishing, especially during the colder winter months.
10. Rejuvenate at one of the local resorts, B&Bs and cozy cabins. Stay warm next to a beautiful fireplace or pamper yourself at a spa, while the falling snow coats the trees and makes it look like you're living in a snow globe.

Bonus: Stay cozy and warm at the region's local craft breweries, restaurants, hotels, B&Bs and other attractions that offer outdoor fire pits - sip a delicious drink next to the fire while cool air surrounds you.